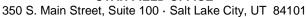


UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING AUGUST 20. 2017

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY The state was very dry, with only 9 out of 34 weather stations reporting 0.04 inches or more of precipitation according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Days suitable for fieldwork went from 6.5 to 6.9. Third cutting of alfalfa is progressing nicely and is currently at 65 percent complete. Apricots harvested is at 80 percent complete. Corn silking is at 94 percent complete and doughing is progressing at 40 percent, ahead of both the previous year and 5-year averages. Barley and spring wheat harvest are at 74 percent and 68 percent complete, respectively. Peach harvest is currently at 18 percent complete, ahead of the previous year but behind the 5-year average. Winter wheat harvested is at 89 percent complete, comparable to the previous year and 5-year average. Tart cherries harvest is nearly complete at 95 percent. Box Elder County reports a week of good weather, and barley and wheat harvest is winding down. Corn in the Bear River Valley looks good with a few fields having spider mites. Pasture and range has dried out with a few wildfires being reported. Beaver County reports alfalfa and livestock are looking good. Stock water supplies were rated 2 percent very short, 30 percent short, 67 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Irrigation water supplies were rated 14 percent very poor, 6 percent poor, 15 percent fair, 55 percent good, and 10 percent excellent.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

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Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Alfalfa hay			_	_		
3 rd cutting harvested	65	38	50	45		
Apricots						
Harvested	80	65	84	85		
Barley						
Harvested	74	60	80	80		
Corn						
Silking	94	89	95	93		
Dough	40	19	34	30		
Oats						
Harvested	54	45	59	57		
Onions						
Harvested	1	NA	NA	NA		
Other hay						
2 nd cutting harvested	77	72	78	NA		
Peaches						
Harvested	18	14	14	27		
Spring Wheat						
Harvested	68	49	70	73		
Tart Cherries						
Harvested	95	90	93	NA		
Winter Wheat						
Harvested	89	78	94	91		

NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for field work	6.9	6.5	6.8	6.2
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	8	11	9	15
Short	45	38	33	42
Adequate	47	51	55	42
Surplus			3	1
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	10	10	9	19
Short	34	37	34	42
Adequate	56	53	56	39
Surplus			1	

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa Hay				
Very poor			NA	NA
Poor	1	1	NA	NA
Fair	12	19	NA	NA
Good	78	72	NA	NA
Excellent	9	8	NA	NA
Corn				
Very poor				
Poor	1	1		1
Fair	18	15	12	16
Good	69	68	75	66
Excellent	12	16	13	17
Oats				
Very poor			NA	NA
Poor			NA	NA
Fair	28	19	NA	NA
Good	65	71	NA	NA
Excellent	7	10	NA	NA
Pasture and Range				
Very poor	8	7	2	6
Poor	18	19	9	18
Fair	33	33	39	39
Good	34	35	44	34
Excellent	7	6	6	3
Cattle and calves				
Very poor				
Poor	1	1		1
Fair	11	17	10	18
Good	78	71	68	69
Excellent	10	11	22	12
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor				NA
Poor				NA
Fair	27	27	15	NA
Good	63	63	68	NA
Excellent	10	10	17	NA

NA – not available (--) – zero

Utah's weather data can be accessed at the following:

 $\underline{http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics\ by\ State/Utah/Publications/Crop\ Progress\ \&\ Condition/2017/UT\ Weather\ 08202017.pdf}$